

Selected Comments received from STAP members in re
[redacted] proposal for a new intelligence publication:

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1. Probably a small group of enthusiastic writers would make most of the contributions--this might skew the ideas in a particular direction, rather than having a broad brush approach which might present a diversity of views, possibly conflicting.

2. Busy people probably do not have sufficient incentive to contribute to such a publication and it is busy people who probably have the most input for ideas.

3. [redacted] may be asking for too "finished" an article--not everyone is able or has time to write such items, even though he may have good information and ideas.

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4. A good idea - I think the Intelligence Community should try it.

5. Interesting, but a poor substitute for advisory groups and "think pieces" from their members.

6. Intelligence is seldom complete--average estimated at 20% one time. Comments from 100 "selected" contributors without that 20% would be of questionable value. Uninformed comment can be a waste of time.

7. A lot of contributions would take a lot of analyst time to review and critique, an expenditure that would be difficult to justify.